

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 295

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Robert Lewis Terrell of Memphis.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Robert Lewis Terrell; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Terrell was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, for more than forty-five years, Robert Terrell served with acumen and alacrity as an educator, coach, and administrator in the Memphis City Schools, in which capacities he earned the respect of his peers and students alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Memphis, Mr. Terrell served his community as a sixth grade teacher at Walker Elementary School and as a coach and administrative aide at Corry Junior High School; during his twenty-seven years as principal of Cummings Elementary School, he utilized his admirable leadership abilities to guide the school to numerous successes; and

WHEREAS, Robert Terrell was an extremely talented and compassionate educator who worked assiduously to motivate his students and fellow educators to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Terrell truly epitomized the ideal of the dedicated educator who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all; and

WHEREAS, Robert Terrell served as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel will be forever valued by those who were fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Terrell was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Robert Terrell enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Katherine Battle Terrell, his daughter, Toya Terrell-Hawkins, his grandchild, Xytoi Miller, and his son-in-law, Andrew Hawkins; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Terrell leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Robert Lewis Terrell, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Terrell.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.